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Who is this quiet, shy, black haired, brown eyed girl who stands about 5ft. 2 in. tall? She is very sweet and bashful, and well thought of by the Senior class.

No doubt, you already know who I'm talking about. It wouldn't be anyone else but Shirley Hickman.

Shirley is very active in her school work and is always willing to help out in the lunchroom or where ever her help is needed.

Her favorite food is hamburgers and her favorite drink Pepsi Colas. I don't know what her future plans are, but whatever they are, we are sure she will succeed.

We the Senior Class wish you, Shirley the best of luck and happiness, and a very Merry Christmas.

Bea Tolley

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Appearing in this months Senior Personality is a girl, 5 ft. 5 in. tall, brown hair, hazel eyes. She is happy and gay at all times. She is a great artist and helps keep the bulletin boards looking nice.

She is always willing to take part in little jobs whenever asked.

She is a member of the Glee Club, Telleterium staff, Islander staff, Safety Patrol, Volleyball team and S.C.A. I guess you all know who this is, it is none other than Nancy Goff.

Good luck in the future Nancy whether it is Nurses Training, Mrs. Johnney Overstreet or both.

Lois Peters

Appearing in the Senior Class Personality this month is a blue eyed, brown haired boy. He is a whiz at basketball and plays on the team this year. As you probably already know by now this boy is Johnny Goff better known as "Jigger".

He is a member of the S.C.A., Glee Club, K.V.G.'s, Volleyball and Basketball teams this year.

He spends most of his time reading books on "Better Basketball", and talking to a certain sophomore girl.

The Senior Class wishes you the best of luck in your future plans, Johnny. Whatever they are, we know that you will be a success.

Nancy Goff

GRADE



NEWS

WHY DO THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS RING?

Why do the bells of Christmas ring?
Why do little children sing?
Once a lovely shining star,
Seen by shepards from afar,
Gently moved until its light,
Made a manger's cradle bright.

There a darling baby lay,
Pillowed soft upon the hay,
And its mother sang and smiled:
"This is Christ, the Holy Child!"
Therefore bells of Christmas ring,
Therefore little children sing.

Eugene Field

Little children, and children not so little have been talking, singing, and celebrating this wonderful season, and Santa Clause, the reindeer, holly, mistletoe, bells, the red and green, also many other symbols of Christmas have been discussed. In every room, teachers and students have every reason to really have that Christmas feeling by now. Stories have been written and stories have been read. Here is one of the stories by a fifth grader, Wayne Wright, Mrs. Edwards is his teacher.

THE DAY THAT WASN'T WANTED

BY WAYNE WRIGHT

5 th. GRADE

MRS. EDWARDE, TEACHER

Many years before Christ was born there was a day that wasn't wanted. All of the other days teased him. Then one day a baby was born of this day. He was so happy. This was not just any baby, this was Christ. This Day is called Christmas Day. From that Day until this, it is the most wanted Day.

This is a story by William Wood of Mrs. Thomlinson's third grade about Santa.

Once there was an old man named Santa. He likes boys and girls. I told Santa to bring me a car, football, and a gun. He likes his reindeer. He likes to bring us toys. He has a red suit. His belt and boots are black. He is nice and friendly.

Special Christmas projects have been undertaken in some grade rooms. The pupils of Mrs. Oliver's fifth grade brought clothing, toys, and food for a needy family. Mrs. Oliver, with the Christmas Committee from her room, will deliver the presents and sing carols to the family on the last day of school before the holidays.

Programs have been presented which make the Christmas season more enjoyable to all.

Mrs. Arrington and Mrs. Sowell presented their first grade children to the primary grades on December 14. Wayne Bennett and Jill Fainter gave a hearty welcome to the listening audience.

The students demonstrated rhythms learned during physical education in an interesting manner.

Jo Ann Fitzgerald did a pantomime entitled "The Old Dolls", with Wanda Nichols, Sue Markham, Judy Wright, Janet Sanderson, Barbara Wilson, and Sue Floyd as her dolls.

"At Christmas", a recitation was done by Vicky Mann, Lewis Collins, Danny Humphreys, Sue Floyd, Donnie Reaves, Mary Jane Goff, and Raymond Rickman dramatized "Jolly Old St. Nicholas."

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A choral reading was given by the group. Two Christmas songs, with several children taking solo parts, completed the program.

And, then parties, and more parties, with room mothers and teachers as hostesses. Christmas is a time of celebrating, but in all the celebrating which is instinctive in the heart of man, we have reason to believe that every pupil in the grades have heard the story of Jesus and recall the cry that has come ringing to us through the ages. "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Special emphasis has been put on the true meaning of Christmas this year. Mrs. Arrington, Mrs. Sowell, Mrs. Henrietta Mitchell, Mrs. Thelma Mitchell, Mrs. Tannin, Mrs. Downey, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Joyce Oliver, Mrs. Eagle, and Miss Page have made each child fully realize the importance of keeping Christmas. As God, out of love, sent his Son, so can we out of love for others give our love, friendship, understanding, and consideration with a smile and prayer for others. In this land of America we have reason to sing the beautiful carol, "Joy To The World".

TEACHER PLEASED WITH YOUNG READERS

Mrs. Downey is very pleased with the written results of her special book club project. Book report from her fourth grade students who are members of the "Catch Me And Read Me" book club have been very good.

"Cleanliness is next to -- what?"
"Third grader, "Impossible!"

STUDENT REVIEWS EXPERIENCES IN SCHOOL

I was a freshman, a green little freshman,
Who started to school one day;
I thought I was smart--from books I'd depart
And skip school to go out and play.
But then it happened!
I know not how;
An excuse was needed
They told me now.
So up to "his" office
As calm as could be,
Till he gave me "hours"--
That sobered up me.
Then a sophomore, a smart-alec sophomore
I walked with my head in the air:
I thought I was "it," I didn't care a bit

For the rules--in the halls--everywhere.
But then it happened!
Though I know better now,
I was kicked out of class
For starting a row.
Then up to "his" office,
Not calm as could be,
For my knees, how they shook--
I was suspended, you see.
Then just a junior, a fun-loving junior.
A little more sober-- could be;
But still just as crazy, my intelligence
was hazy,
And no office could ever scare me.
But then it happened!
Only this time I knew
How to get out of trouble
That I happened to do.
I went to "his" office
As brave as they grow;
I told him my story,
And he let me go.
Now I'm a senior, a dignified senior,
I've taught myself never to stop;
I've worked like a trooper, often in a
stupor,
But at last I have come out on top.
No more can it happen--
At least not to me;
In June I shall graduate,
At last I'll be free.
No more to "his" office,
No late hours, too,
For at last I'm a senior--
Thank goodness it's true.

SPORTS

GIRL'S FIRST GAME

The Big Island High School Girl's Basketball Team met its first game with Stewartsville Girl's at Stewartsville.

The Starting line up for the girl's was; Dorothy Wilson, Nancy Wilson and Carol Hart, forward. Other members of the team were put into the game also.

All of the team tried their very best but came out with a score of 38-31

The Girl's Team has really improved this year with the help and coaching of Mrs. John Penn Oliver. I would like to say on the behalf of all the team, thanks to Mrs. Oliver, we'll win the trophy!

HUDDLESTON GAME

The Girls played Huddleston Girls Basketball Team here, Friday, December 9. This was the first game at home for Big Island. The Big Island Girls tried very hard but ended up defeated.

VICTORY AGAIN

On December 9, Big Island met Huddleston for their first home game. The boys were really playing basketball that night, and came in with a victory of 63-22.

High scorer for the boys was Johnny Reynolds. The boys shot 42% of their shots from the floor. Mr. Adkins was very proud of his team. His enthusiasm was shared with the Student Body.

PEP RALLY

The Pep Rally was held in the Big Island Gym at 2 o'clock on December 2. The Cheerleaders entertained with a few cheers. Speeches were given by the Girl's Co-Captains, Truly Casto, and Dorothy Wilson. Other speeches were given by the Boy's Co-Captains, David Arthur and Johnny Goff.

The forth grade through the twelfth grade attended the Rally. All were given programs as they left the gym, to return to their classes.

Big Island went to Stewartsville for their first game and had a real turn-out from Big Island.

Pat Thomas

BIG ISLAND TROUNCES STEWARTSVILLE

On Dec. 2, the Big Island Boy's Team met its first opponents of the 60-61 season.

The team got off to a swell start and played a grand game.

In this game, the team only shot 7 for 26 foul shots. Coach Adkins was very disappointed in this, but was very proud of the boys in the rest of the game.

Led by the high scorer, Johnny Reynolds, the team went on to VICTORY with a score of 53-37.

Keep it up Boys!

Jimmy Downey

WHAT IS CHRISTMAS

What is Christmas: candle glow?
The soothing of a heart we know?
A coin from our redundant store
To hungry knocks upon the door?

What is Christmas? Love and Light
From Christ our Savior, born that night
A living Christ, content to share
His greatness through the gift of prayer.

"Whatever else be lost among the year,
Let us keep Christmas--its meaning
never ends.

Whatever doubts assail us, or what
fears.

Let us hold this Day-- remembering
friends.

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The dreadful hour of 11:45 A.M. finally rolls around. That's when the English Class has an appointment with their English Physician Ruby Neal, at the Big Island Community Hospital. The feeble-minded patients make their way down the mile long corridor every morning five days a week to be treated by Doctor Neal. They hobble on inside the room and crawl up on their individual cots.

Dr. Neal takes out a slip of white paper and checks to see if everybody was able to be present for their daily check-up. Mickey sits up on her bed, rather straight after her back injury, to tell us that Susie has changed to another Dr. down in Florida, but she didn't know the reason why. Alice who is still weak from lack of nutrition, stood up to announce that poor Betty was very ill at home from an over-dose of reducing pills.

Two painful moans then came from the back of the room. Dorothy and Patsy had sprained ankles and wouldn't get to play Basketball against Stewartsville.

Barry then lifted up his head and told us that Jimmy Downey, had a terrific head ache, and was talking out of his head, he thought it came from too much Shakespeare.

The other patients were fairly well, but a few of them were still complaining about the double-dose of home work Dr. Neal prescribed to them every night. We have to take it cure you or kill you.

But the one appointment that each weak, but hopeful patient can hardly wait for is on June the 2nd, 1961, when we can get our O.K. degree and are discharged from those medical treatments under Dr. Neal forever, of course, unless some of the nerve racked people just don't make the grade.....English grade that is!

Truly, Casto

The monthly meeting of the Senior 4-H Club was held on Thursday, December 8. Roger Boothe, President, presided. Marie Arrington had the devotions, with Nancy Goff and Lois Peters leading in several songs.

The minutes were read and approved.

A blue ribbon and \$10.00 was awarded to the club by Mr. Ned Lester. The Club had entered a float in the Christmas parade, and these were their awards. In the 4-H float contest, their float received a blue ribbon, the first place award. In the entire parade, the club won \$10.00, the third place award.

David Reynolds also received \$20.00 for his entrance in a contest.

The date, December 16, was announced as the date for the Christmas dance at the Bedford Armory. Other announcements were: The Honor Club initiation will be held on December 17. The Honor Club All-Star Banquet is to be held on Dec. 28.

The meeting was then adjourned with the 4-H pledge.

Pat O'Connor

Christmas will last the year round when mankind begins settling its differences on a basis of what's right rather than who's right.

This Christmas, fellow Students, let's have more mistletoe and less missel talk.

At this season, any contact between father and child is likely to have a Santa clause in it.

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY !!!!!!!!!!!

"THE UGLY DOLL"

Once there was a poor little girl walking down the street in town. She was looking at some of the Christmas things. She came to a toy shop. She saw the lovely dolls. One of the dolls wasn't pretty. The little girl had to go home then.

The little girl came back the next day and most of the pretty dolls were gone but she didn't mind it because she liked the ugly one.

The little ugly doll didn't know that the little girl liked her. She thought that the little girl liked the pretty dolls. All the pretty dolls were being sold. The little ugly doll was getting sad.

The store keeper saw that the little ugly doll wasn't going to be sold. He noticed that the little girl came and looked at the doll every day.

On Christmas Eve the little girl came by to look at the doll. He knew the girl was poor and didn't get anything for Christmas.

When he was closing up, the little girl saw him take the doll and give it to her. The girl was so happy she did not know what to say. The little ugly doll was so happy that someone loved her. In fact the doll was so happy that she turned into the prettiest doll of all.

Patsy McDowell
6th Grade
Mrs. Edwards

HOME FIRES BY Rex Mobley

They'll always burn brightly.
Not lazily smolder,
When they're kindly nightly.
With chips from your shoulder.

It is better to be silent and be thought a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt.

BEEPING SLEAUTY AND CHINCE PARMING

A long time ago, there was a beautiful princess named Beeping Sleauty, who celled in a dwastle with her mather and fother who muvved her lery vuch. One day they were visited by a wasty nithe, who gave Beeping Sleauty a winning Speel. As she was climbing spoth, Beeping Sleauty fricked her pinger on the Winning Speel and sell afleep. Per harents also slent to weep. Sley hept for yenty twears.

Suddenly, along came Chince Parming on horse hack. He knook out his tife, and puta cath through the bicker stushes. As he poamed over the ralace, he saw the red boom of Beeping Sleauty. There Chince Parming saw the slovely lirl geeping, and knell to his fees. When he chissed her on the keek, Beeping Sleauty hifted her leak, and cried, "Oh, Chince Parming, hy mero!" Perharents dame in the coor and they all kugged and hissed.

Beeping Sleauty and Chince Parming were sarried, and hived lappily for yany mears.

TEENERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

If every teen-ager would follow these simple rules, the world would be a safer place to live in.

1. Don't let your parents down. They brought you up.
2. Stop and think before you drink.
3. Ditch dirty thoughts fast or they'll ditch you.
4. Show-off driving is juvenile. Don't act your age.
5. Be smart; obey. You'll give orders yourself someday.
6. Choose your friends carefully. You are what they are.
7. Choose a date fit for a mate.
8. Don't go steady unless you're ready.
9. Go to church regularly. God gives you a week. Give him back his due.
10. Live carefully. The soul you save may be your own.

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN THE WORLD

What to you is the most important thing in all of the world? Have you ever thought about this question? Suppose you were to die one second after reading this sentence. What would be the most important thing to you? I suppose you have many varied thoughts on the subject, but the one thing which the majority of people think of first is their life. Why is life important? Let's discuss it for a few minutes.

Since many noted psychologists tell us that the majority of the world's population is concerned mostly with themselves as individuals, let's consider life from the selfish standpoint. What is its importance to us as individuals? First, of all, life is important to the individual because without it the individual does not know where he or she would be; he can only have faith. Secondly, life should be important to us because it opens new and fascinating worlds. For example, it is in living we learn to appreciate the beauty in nature and in the world around us. We learn through life to feel joy and pain, love and forgiveness. These feelings which life gives to us are our own. They belong to us as individuals.

Also in living, we have one of the greatest opportunities life offers, the opportunity to live with and understand our fellow man. I once heard a small child give the right impression. He finally said, "Love is a gift from God." You only know that you have it when you give it to someone else. "How well these words can fit in the real importance of life. Life is a gift from God. It is when we share the precious gift of others that we begin to feel its wonder and magic and receive a blessing from it.

Please remember that your life is probably the most important gift you'll ever receive. Don't waste it, but use it wisely and be grateful for the chance to use it.

The best Christmas gift of all, is a happy family all wrapped up in each other.

CAN YOU IMAGINE???????

1. Mr. Adkins not having basketball practice every night.
2. Pat Thomas not giggling in class.
3. Wayne Neas being quiet in a theater.
4. Mr. Adkins not saying, "In other words."
5. Phillis Beard not being true to Ronnie Martin.
6. Stuart Knight not going with Bonnie Bryant.
7. Truly fixing breakfast for her husband, Neil Casto.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO FIGHT COMMUNISM AND PRESERVE AMERICA

- A—lert yourself—learn the true nature and tactics of communism.
- M—ake civic programs for social improvement of your business.
- E—xercise your right to vote; elect representatives of integrity.
- R—espect human dignity—communism and individual rights cannot coexist.
- I—nform yourself: know your country—its history, traditions, and heritage.
- C—ombat public apathy toward communism indifference can be fatal when national survival is at stake.
- A—ttack bigotry and prejudice wherever they appear: justice for all is the bulwark of democracy.

PATRIOTISM IS EVERYBODY'S JOB!

J. EDGAR HOOVER

GOOD LUCK IN THE STEWARTSVILLE GAME!

MRS. NEALS MOB MEETING 11:45

"SNOOPER"

At 11:45, the time set for the meeting the Senior Gang went to room 7 and sat down to wait for the Boss. As I listen to the conversations, I learn that Barry Spence has finally been taken after a 73 hour gun battle with the police at the Dial House. I hear also that we aren't getting very good cooperation from the protection setup in the second grade.

We see that something is wrong when "Boss" Neal enters without her machine gun. She tells us that we must advance with the times, and that the subject for today's meeting is "Better English during a Robbery." She says that we must do away with those 5 or 6 men standing around in the bank holding machine guns. In the past it has been the accepted rule to walk up to the cashier, gun in hand and say, "Fill up this satchel with money or I'll give you a fatal case of lead poisoning.

She says that now we must walk casually up to the cashier and say, "My good man, in my coat pocket there is a 45 cal. automatic; take this brief case and put thereinto all of the United States Currency that you have at your disposal, if, however, you refuse I shall be forced to resort to drastic measures and discharge said automatic in your direction."

If you follow this pattern you are sure to have more successful holdups, and probably will be invited to rob their bank again at the earliest possible date," said Mrs. Neal, "Now what about those book reports?" Vincent gave a report on the book "1001 Ways To Open a Safe."

Wayne Neas had one on "How To Keep Out of Prison" by No. 100786357 at San Quentin.

To introduce myself, I am Jimmy Downey head of the brewery in the school lunchroom.

"Please don't whistle while you work."
"I'm not working."

Well, fellow snoops, just like I said last month, I am back again with some more gossip.

Who was the senior girl Harold Plott took home after the Basketball game Friday night. Could her initials have been D. C. W.?

Steve Wilson, what's this I hear about you cooking? Why? Are you getting in practice?

It seems that Bonnie Bryant is wearing a certain junior boys ring. Could it belong to Stuart Knight?

I hear a few of the high school girls went to see Santa Claus, but they didn't sit on his lap.

Jimmy D., who was that certain blond you escorted to the dance?

Truly, where did you go over the weekend? Tell me, is there any change in your name?

Well, I hate to go but I might miss out on some of the gossip. See you next month. "I may be watching you."

Doctor-Did you tell that young man of yours what I thought of him?

Daughter-Yes, dad, and he said that you were wrong in your diagnosis, as usual.

It's foolish to worry about confused, miserable teenagers. Give them a few years and they'll turn out to be normal, miserable adults.

"Where do you bathe?"

"In the spring."

"I said 'where' not 'when'."



ACROSS

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4. the red-nose reindeer
5. Santa writes his list with this
6. gentle
9. also
10. opposite of "bad"
12. makes mistakes
14. recreation
17. nought
18. southeast (abbr.)
19. myself
20. Mr. Claus
23. 1 and 1
24. mother sheep

1. move rapidly
2. Santa's vehicle
3. what children say on Christmas morning
4. eight of them pull Santa's sleigh
7. opposite of "yes"
8. what most little girls ask for at Christmas
11. frozen dew
13. railroad (abbr.)
14. an animal kept to play with
15. morning (abbr.)
16. you (old form)
18. what Santa's sleight slides over
21. reverence
22. near